

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

DEC 2 0 2013

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to Region 4's Proposed Management Decision on OIG Report No. 13-R-0321,

Projected Emission Reductions Overstated and Buy American Requirements Not Met Under EPA Award to the Tennessee Department of Transportation, July 19, 2013

FROM:

Arthur A. Elkins Jr. AE In. (pn CJS)

TO:

A. Stanley Meiburg

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4

Thank you for your December 10, 2013, proposed management decision letter on the subject report. Due to the complexity of the issues, further review by our Office of Counsel, and the holidays, we will not be able to meet the 15-day requirement under EPA Manual 2750 for evaluating the proposed decision. In order to provide a thorough and adequate evaluation of the proposed decision, we request an extension until January 24, 2014, to respond to your letter.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Rich Eyermann, Acting Assistant Inspector General for Audit, at (202) 566-0565 or eyerman.richard@epa.gov; or Robert Adachi, Product Line Director, at (415) 947-4537 or adachi.robert@epa.gov.

cc: Actin

Acting Deputy Regional Administrator, Region 4

Audit Follow-Up Coordinator, Region 4